

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a solid dispersion of fenofibrate, or a salt or ester thereof, and hydroxypropylmethylcellulose (HPMC) polyvinylpyrrolidone (PVP) crystallization inhibitor in a polyethylene glycol (PEG) carrier.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Canceled)
4. (Canceled)
5. (Canceled)
6. (Canceled)
7. (Canceled)
8. (Currently Amended) The composition of Claim 1 2 wherein said solid dispersion is encapsulated in a hard gelatin capsule.
9. (Currently Amended) The composition of Claim 1 2 wherein said solid dispersion is compressed into a tablet.
10. (Original) The composition of claim 1 further comprising an additive or a mixture of additives independently selected from the group consisting of pharmaceutically acceptable surfactants and antioxidants.
11. (Canceled)
12. (Canceled)
13. (Currently Amended) A method of preparing a composition of Claim 1, comprising the steps of:
  - a) dissolving a pharmaceutical compound and hydroxypropylmethylcellulose (HPMC) polyvinylpyrrolidone in an organic solvent to form a solution;
  - b) adding polyethylene glycol to said solution to form a mixture;
  - c) optionally flash evaporating said solvent;
  - d) optionally drying the resulting residue remaining after evaporation;

- e) optionally grinding and sieving the solid dispersion to obtain a resultant product.
- 14. (Original) The method of claim 13 additionally comprising encapsulating the solid dispersion in a hard gelatin capsule.
- 15. (Original) The method of claim 13 additionally comprising compressing said solid dispersion into a tablet.
- 16. (Canceled)
- 17. (Canceled)
- 18. (Original) The method of claim 13 wherein said solvent is ethanol.
- 19. (Canceled)
- 20. (Canceled)
- 21. (Canceled)
- 22. (Original) A method of treating hyperlipidemia comprising administering an effective amount of a solid dispersion of claim 1 to a mammal in need of such treatment, wherein said pharmaceutical compound is fenofibrate.
- 23. (Canceled)